

Hills City Council Meeting
April 23, 2018
7:00 PM
Hills Fire Station Meeting Room

The regular Hills City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Tim Kemp at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 23, 2018 at the Hills Fire Station Meeting Room.

Present: Mayor, Tim Kemp. Council members: Steve Harris, Merle Hill, Cathy Knebel, Christine Peters and Teresa Volk.
Absent: None. Also present: Cathy Fitzmaurice-Hill, City Administrator, Matt Pantel, Public Works & Fire Chief, Ben Sommers, EMS Coordinator and Members of the public.

Consent Agenda: A Motion was made by Knebel and seconded by Peters to approve the consent agenda approving agenda, minutes from April 9, 2018 meeting, scheduled list of claims, and receipts from April 7, 2018 thru April 20, 2018. Ayes:5. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Jared Bushell, 301 E. Main, expressed his concern with the no parking regulation on Main Street. He shared that his drive is single lane and he has no other place to park. He mentioned that he does have alley access but is tearing up his back yard parking there. They must move vehicles if one spouse leaves before the other or is responding to a Fire/EMS call. Mayor Kemp explained the discussions in regard to the Main Street parking decision. Council members felt that the decision had been made after discussions over several meetings and did not feel it would be changed.

Business:

Resolution 2018-27 was presented approving and authorizing the purchase of the equipment for the City of Hills Splash Pad Project. The City has received a quotation of \$32,763.80 for the equipment from Water Odyssey. A Motion was made by Volk and seconded by Hill to approve Resolution 2018-27. Roll Call: Ayes: Volk, Hill, Peters, Knebel, Harris. Resolution 2018-27 is approved.

The Council received a recommendation from the Community Center Board to replace all countertops in the kitchen and bar area and accept the estimate from Kitchens by Design for \$10,222.50 for quartz countertops. The Board considered KBD estimate which includes quartz tops, sinks and installation of tops and sinks at \$10,222.50. It does not include demo of existing tops or plumbing for faucets and sink hook up. Also, the estimate from KBD for laminate which includes sinks at \$5,968 but does not include installation, demo or plumbing work. And the estimate from Elite Stone Fabrications for quartz at \$10,240.80 which includes installation but not sinks, plumbing or demo. A Motion was made by Hill and seconded by Volk to approve the recommendation of the Community Center Board to move forward with quartz countertops with Kitchens by Design at \$10,222.50. Ayes: 5. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed the plans for RAGBRAI and discussed possible budgets for the event. Committees are forming and moving forward with plans. Application for vendors has been added to the website. Mayor Kemp discussed police hours options and Council felt that reducing our normal hours for the month and banking them for RAGBRAI would be best.

Reports:

Attorney: No report.

Fire Chief: Water fights will be held May 19th. Spring Dance will be held June 2nd at Old 218 with band Drama Kings.

Maintenance: Park bathrooms are open.

Sewer: Desludging was pushed back again but set to start this Thursday.

Water: No report.

Administrator: Stevens provided an estimate for the Main Street Right of Way work. Council in favor of moving forward. Splash pad work set to begin May 1.

Mayor: Mayor Kemp gave an update on the Economic Development meeting held with local businesses. A promotional video was shown that will be completed and used to market Hills.

Council Comments: Knebel introduced a Hills Improvement Contest intended to encourage residents to spruce up their homes. Council was supportive of the idea. Improvements will be recognized at the July 3rd concert.

A Motion was made by Harris and seconded by Peters to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m. Ayes:5. Motion carried.

Tim Kemp, Mayor

Cathy Fitzmaurice-Hill, City Administrator